

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An improved muzzleloading firearm having a novel safety system. The safety system utilizes a spool coupled to a compression spring to maintain an ignition system such as a primer out of potential contact with a firing pin, even in the event of unintentional actuation of a hammer or sear. The safety system is automatic in operation, automatically placing the ignition system within reach of the firing pin when the firearm is placed into battery.